



GARBAGE RECORD BOOK

Name of Ship _____

Distinctive Number or Letters _____

IMO Number _____

Port of Registry _____

Period From _____ To _____

NOTE: Every ship of 400 tons gross tonnage and above and every ship which is certified to carry 15 persons or more engaged in voyages to ports or offshore terminals under the jurisdiction of other Parties to the Convention and every fixed and floating platform engaged in exploration and exploitation of the sea-bed, shall be provided with a Garbage Record Book.

INTRODUCTION

In accordance with Regulation 9 of Annex V of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 (MARPOL 73/78) a record is to be kept of each discharge operation or completed incineration. This includes discharges at sea, to reception facilities, or to other ships.

GARBAGE AND GARBAGE MANAGEMENT

Garbage includes all kinds of food, domestic and operational waste excluding fresh fish and parts thereof, generated during the normal operation of the vessel and liable to be disposed of continuously or periodically except those substances which are defined or listed in other annexes to MARPOL 73/78 (such as oil, sewage or noxious liquid substances).

The Guidelines for the Implementation of Annex V of MARPOL 73/78 should also be referred to for relevant information.

DESCRIPTION OF THE GARBAGE

The garbage is to be grouped into categories for the purposes of this record book as follows:

1. Plastics
2. Floating dunnage, lining, or packing material
3. Ground-down paper products, rags, glass, metal, bottles, crockery, etc.
4. Paper Products, rags, glass, metal, bottles, crockery, etc.
5. Food waste
6. Incinerator ash

ENTRIES IN THE GARBAGE RECORD BOOK

1. Entries in the Garbage Record Book shall be made on each of the following occasions:

- (a) When garbage is discharged into the sea:
 - (i) Date and time of discharge
 - (ii) Position of the ship (latitude and longitude)
 - (iii) Category of garbage discharged
 - (iv) Estimated amount discharged for each category in m³
 - (v) Signature of the officer in charge of the operation.
- (b) When garbage is discharged to reception facilities ashore or to other ships:
 - (i) Date and time of discharge
 - (ii) Port or facility, or name of ship
 - (iii) Category of garbage discharged
 - (iv) Estimated amount discharged for each category in m³
 - (v) Signature of officer in charge of the operation.
- (c) When garbage is incinerated:
 - (i) Date and time of start and stop of incineration
 - (ii) Position of the ship (latitude and longitude)
 - (iii) Estimated amount incinerated in m³
 - (iv) Signature of the officer in charge of the operation.
- (d) Accidental or other exceptional discharges of garbage
 - (i) Time of occurrence
 - (ii) Port or position of the ship at time of occurrence
 - (iii) Estimated amount and category of garbage
 - (iv) Circumstances of disposal, escape or loss, the reason therefore and general remarks.

2. Receipts

The master should obtain from the operator of port reception facilities, or from the master of the ship receiving the garbage, a receipt or certificate specifying the estimated amount of garbage transferred. The receipts or certificates must be kept on board the ship with the Garbage Record Book for two years.

3. Amount of garbage

The amount of garbage onboard should be estimated in m³, if possible separately according to category. The Garbage Record Book contains many references to estimated amount of garbage. It is recognized that the accuracy of estimating amounts of garbage is left to interpretation. Volume estimates will differ before and after processing. Some processing procedures may not allow for a usable estimate of volume, e.g. the continuous processing of food waste. Such factors should be taken into consideration when making and interpreting entries made in a record.

RECORD OF GARBAGE DISCHARGES

NOTE: The discharge of any garbage other than food waste is prohibited in special areas.*

Name of Ship		Distinctive Number or Letters	IMO No.								
Date/ Time	Position of Ship	Estimated amount discharged into the sea (m^3) <i>Only garbage discharged into the sea must be categorized</i>						Estimated amount discharged to reception facilities or to other ship (m^3)		Estimated Amount Incinerated (m^3)	Certification Signature
		Cat. 2 Floating dunnage, lining, or packing materials	Cat. 3 Ground paper products, rags, glass, metal, bottles, crockery, etc.	Cat. 4 Un-ground paper products, rags, glass, metal, bottles, crockery, etc	Cat. 5 Food waste	Cat. 6 Incinerator ash except from plastic products which may contain toxic or heavy metal residues	Cat. 1 Plastic	Other Garbage other than category 1 need only be listed as a total estimated amount			

* Special areas under Annex V of Marpol 73/78 are: the Mediterranean Sea area, the Baltic Sea area, the Black Sea area, the Red Sea area, the 'Gulf' area, the North Sea area, the Arctic area, the wider Caribbean Region - including the Gulf of Mexico and the Carribean Sea.